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SUBJECT: FRENCH MILITARY OFFICERS ARRIVE FOR TALKS ON PIONEER  
CORPS ASSISTANCE

REF: VALLETTA 1201 (NOTAL)

1. LOCAL PRESS REPORTS ARRIVAL JUNE 17 OF FRENCH MILITARY  
OFFICERS, COLONEL PIERRE LESONEF AND MAJOR GASTON GONER FOR  
TALKS ON GOF ASSISTANCE TO PIONEER CORPS.

2. FOR PARIS. VISIT OF FRENCH OFFICERS FOLLOWS VISITS OF  
ITALIAN MILITARY OFFICIALS FOR SAME PURPOSE. REFTEL  
REPORTS THAT GOI THINKING IN TERMS OF PHYSICAL FITNESS AND  
ENGINEERING TRAINING FOR CORPS, WHICH IS PARAMILITARY BODY,  
INTEGRATED INTO MALTA ARMED FORCES, DESIGNED TO RECRUIT  
UNEMPLOYED MALTES. REFTEL ALSO SAYS ITALIAN AMBASSADOR TOLD  
US THAT LIBYANS HAVE BEEN ASKED TO SUPPLY 4000 RIFLES AND  
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THAT THERE IS POSSIBILITY OF LIBYAN MILITARY OFFICERS ALSO  
ASSISTING CORPS AS WELL. GOI WILL PROBABLY REFUSE TO PROVIDE  
ASSISTANCE IF LIBYAN OFFICERS IN FACT BROUGHT IN FOR THIS  
PURPOSE. GETZ

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